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Letter dated 16 February 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 13–16 February 2018 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) V. **Nebenzia**

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Annex to the letter dated 16 February 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (13 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported seven incidents of gunfire: four in Ladhiqiyah Governorate and three in Aleppo Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported three incidents of gunfire: two in Damascus Governorate and one in Idlib Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,750 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,450.7 tons.

The safe passage of one United Nations humanitarian convoy was assured to Tall Shihab in Dar'a Governorate. The total weight of cargo delivered was 130 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 43 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 70,403 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,357.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (14 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported nine incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: three in Aleppo, three in Ladhiqiyah, two in Homs and one in Damascus.

The Turkish representative office has reported four incidents of gunfire: two in Damascus Governorate and two in Idlib Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out two humanitarian operations: 1.1 tons of food were delivered to residents in Hama city; and 1.9 tons of food were delivered to the local population of Rasm al-Falih in Aleppo Governorate.

In total, 1,752 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,453.7 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 169 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 70,572 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Abu Jalus in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,358.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (15 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported seven incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: five in Ladhiqiyah, one in Aleppo and one in Damascus.

The Turkish representative office has reported four incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: two in Damascus, one in Hama and one in Idlib.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,752 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,453.7 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 31 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 70,603 persons.

The safe passage of one United Nations humanitarian convoy was assured to Nashabiyah in Damascus Governorate and to Tall Shihab in Dar'a Governorate. The total weight of cargo delivered was 179 tons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Bayt al-Rafi'ah in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,359.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (16 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported three incidents of gunfire: two in Ladhiqiyah Governorate and one in Aleppo Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported four violations: two in Damascus Governorate and two in Idlib Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Kawm Muhayris, Qunaytirah Governorate: 1.9 tons of food were delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,753 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,455.6 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 150 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 70,753.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours two ceasefire agreements have been signed with Rasha al-Qibliyah and Hamdaniyah in Idlib Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,361.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.